

SCOTTSDALE – Artwork by Jackie Hutchinson of Ahwatukee's Desert Vista High School will be displayed in the corridors of the U.S. Capitol, U.S. Rep. Harry Mitchell said today. Hutchison's untitled entry earned first place for District 5 in the 2008 Congressional Art Competition.

Jordin O'Conner, of Ahwatukee, who attends the New School for the Arts and Academics, earned second place. O'Conner's artwork will be displayed in Mitchell's Washington, D.C. office.

Alexandra Dubé of Scottsdale's Desert Mountain High School earned third place with her entry, "A Rabbi's Content." Her artwork will be displayed in Mitchell's Scottsdale office.

"I'm very proud of all of the students who participated in this year's contest," said Mitchell. "We have some incredible art students at our local high schools and I'm looking forward to having their artwork at the Capitol and in my Washington and Scottsdale offices."

Mitchell made the announcement at an awards ceremony at the Arizona Historical Society Museum in Tempe. The first-place winner is also the recipient of a \$5,000 scholarship to the Savannah College of Art and Design, if accepted for admission.

All of the District 5 entries are on display through the end of April at the Arizona Historical Society Museum at Papago Park located at 1300 N. College Avenue in Tempe.

Award of Excellence winners include: "Africa Unite" by Jay Schulgasser Chaparral High School, and "Cover-up" by Nicole Goodwin of Desert Vista.

Honorable Mention winners include: "Whimsey" by Danielle Thompson of Desert Mountain High School, "Within the Eye of the Beholder" by Megan Pflanz of Corona del Sol High School, "Transcending Generations" by Elizabeth Emerson of Corona del Sol High School, "Essense of the Jump" by Jared Schwartz of Pinnacle Peak High School and "Obama Mama" by Megan McLeod of Corona del Sol High School.

Mitchell Announces Congressional Art Contest Winners

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The winners were chosen from nearly 70 entries from eight District 5 high schools, including schools from Scottsdale, Tempe, Chandler, Mesa, Ahwatukee and Fountain Hills.